GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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LABORATORIES FOR TESTING OF ADULTERATED FOOD
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether laboratories for the testing of samples of adulterated sweets ,vegetables and food have been set up in every State;

(b) if so, the total of such labs in every States, State- wise;

(c) whether the Government is considering on a single integrated food law to replace several laws to ensure punishment for adulteration and check adulteration ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b) Under prevention of Food Adulteration (PFA) Rules, 1955, there are 7 2 Food Testing Laboratories of States/Union Territories Governments and 4 appellate Central Food laboratories located at Kolkata, Ghaziabad, Mysore and Pune working for analysis of samples of food products. The details of States/U.Ts. Laboratories is at Annex-1.

(c) & (d) : The Government has constituted a Group of Ministers (GOM) to propose legislative and other changes considered necessary for finalizing the Integrated Food Law and related regulations.

Annex-1

Sl No.	Name of State/U.T	Number of Food Testing Labs.
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	2
2	ASSAM	1
3	B1HAR	1
4	JHARKHAND	1
5	GUJARAT	6
6	HARYANA	2
7	HJMACHAL PRADESH	1
8	JAMMU & KASHMIR	2
9	KARNATAKA	4
10	KERALA	3
11	MADHYA PRADESH	3
12	CHHATISGARH	1
13	MAHARASHTRA	11
14	NAGALAND	1
15	ORISSA	1
16	PUNJAB	3
17	RAJASTHAN	8
18	TAMIL NADU	7
19	TRIPURA	1
20	UTTAR PRADESH	3
21	WEST BENGAL	5
22	A &N ISLAND	1
23	DELHI	1
24	GOA	1
25	PONDICHERRY	1
26	MEGHALAYA	1
TOTAL		72